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PRES. WILSON WILL NOT HURRY BACK THIS TIME

SAILS FOR FRANCE AND WILL "NOT COME BACK TILL IT'S OVER OVER THERE"

FEW AT PIER TO BID FAREWELL

Grants Clemency to 53 Convicted, Among Them Kraft, Secretary of Socialist Party

New York, Mar. 5.—President Wilson sailed today on his second voyage to France, determined, as he said in a speech last night, not to "come back till it's over over there."

The George Washington left Hoboken pier with only a small crowd present to wave farewell greetings. The harbor was nearly deserted due to the marine workers' strike. A salute was fired. The departure was delayed a few minutes when it was found that the morning papers were not aboard the transport.

Washington, Mar. 5.—Among the 53 cases of convictions under the espionage act, in which the president granted clemency, is that of Frederick Kraft, secretary of the socialist party of New Jersey. Kraft was granted a full pardon.

DELEGATES FROM SEVEN NATIONS WILL MEET

New York, Mar. 5.—Officials of governmental agencies of seven nations and dominions will meet here from March 18 to 22 to plan for the rehabilitation of disabled men, civilians as well as soldiers, and put them back on the payroll. The conference will be held under the auspices of the Red Cross institute for crippled and disabled men.

The authorities to be represented are the British minister of pensions, the French national institute for war cripples, the Belgian military institute for crippled soldiers, the Italian ministry of pensions, the Canadian invalided soldiers commission, the Australian department of repatriation, and the bureau of re-education and reconstruction of the American Red Cross in France. Individual organizations of other countries also will be present.

ONLY THE SELECT FEW CAN VOTE IN JAPAN

Tokio, Mar. 5.—Reform of the election law is the greatest domestic problem facing this country and seen only in importance to result of the peace conference, say the Orodzu. The property qualification for voting now limits the suffrage in Japan to 1,422,000 voters. The home minister has announced that the suffrage system will be so revised as to promote constitutional government.

CHINESE PIRATES ARE REAPING A HARVEST

Tokio, Mar. 5.—Chinese pirates are active off the coast of Shantung. A Japanese sailor who was found swimming in the sea and brought back to Japan, said he was one of the crew of 8 who sailed in a coasting schooner from Tsingtau. Off the Shantung coast three strange junks drew rapidly alongside and 31 pirates armed with pistols and swords boarded the schooner, looted the vessel and put the crew to the sword. The only survivor jumped overboard and kept afloat until rescued.

OLCOTT BIGGEST MAN IN THE STATE

Has Complete Control of Political Machinery, Although He May Have to Appear Successor

Portland, Mar. 5.—Construing the lieutenant governor constitutional amendment that will be submitted to the electorate at the special June election, constitutional lawyers today held that should the measure be adopted it would devolve upon Acting Governor Olcott to appoint a lieutenant governor, and that he would succeed Olcott as governor and hold office until next regular election.

According to constitutional lawyers who have examined this provision, Olcott is merely serving as acting governor by virtue of occupying the office of secretary of state, and that should the proposed lieutenant governor amendment be adopted it would devolve on him to appoint a lieutenant governor, who immediately following his appointment would become governor under the provisions of the proposed measure. Further, they point out, the proposed amendment would supplant the constitutional provision under which Olcott is now serving as acting governor, and the proposed measure expressly provides that in case of a vacancy in the governorship the lieutenant governor shall assume the office, and in the event of his inability to serve the president of the senate shall become governor. No reference whatever is made in the proposed amendment to the office of secretary of state. Such was also the construction put upon the proposed amendment by attorneys in both the senate and house in discussing the measure in both committee and on the floor.

Under the present constitutional provision Olcott is made a political autocrat, for he is given complete control of the whole political machinery of the state.

UNLUCKY NO. 13 MADE UP BY "GHOST SHIP"

London, Mar. 5.—Among the war stories that British naval men feel free to tell now is one about a "ghost ship" whose mystery has never been solved.

In 1917, a convoy of 12 ships left a British port. At dawn on the day after sailing the escort commander discovered 13 ships under his charge. While the identity of the extra ship was being discussed, the convoy was suddenly attacked by German light cruisers and most of the escort and nine of the merchantmen were sunk. The Germans then made off.

Survivors positively assert that there were 13 ships and that the mysterious vessel disappeared as strangely as she had appeared. They are certain that the ship was not sunk. Official inquiries failed to throw any light on the nature of the craft. It was ascertained that she could not have been a disguised German raider, and her presence was "logged" by the escort commander.

Nenana, Alaska, Feb. 16.—(By mail).—Anchorage capitalists have begun a movement to organize an exploring expedition for Siberia. As soon as peace is restored, it is planned to send an expedition into the Anadr Bay district, where in 1907 extensive gold deposits were found.

+ STARTS FIREWORKS +
+ AS WAY OF PROTEST +
+ Paris, Mar. 5.—A man who +
+ gave his name as Kneller, a +
+ Russian Jew, fired two shots +
+ from his revolver from the resi- +
+ dence of President Poincaré. +
+ He said he desired to protest +
+ against allied intervention in +
+ Russia. The bullets fell harm- +
+ lessly on the veranda of the +
+ Court of Honor. Guards and +
+ sentinels were present. +

CONFERENCE OF GOVERNORS BREAKING UP

WESTERN DELEGATES DISGUSTED AT DILATORY METHODS OF EASTERN MEMBERS

SEC. HOUSTON LEAVES THE HALL

Mayor Baker of Portland Says Westerners Were There to Take Definite Action at Once

Washington, Mar. 5.—Disappointment of the western delegates over failure of the conference of the governors and mayors to take definite action toward relieving the unemployment situation which has been in evidence since yesterday, culminated today in a row, during which Secretary Houston left the hall.

Later on during the meeting some of the governors and mayors left the council, going to their homes because they were dissatisfied at having accomplished nothing. Mayor Baker of Portland, said the Westerners wanted something done.

ARMY BILL'S FAILURE TO PASS CREDITED TO WILSON

Washington, Mar. 5.—Senator Moses of New Hampshire, republican issued a statement today declaring failure of President Wilson to call an extra session of congress to pass among other measures the army appropriation bill would mean "that nearly half a million homes in the United States must continue to see their sons held for military service on foreign soil."

"It may be thought improper to impute motives to the president," said the statement, "but there are senators on both sides of the chamber who believe the president's dogged refusal to summon congress, save when he pleases, is due to his desire to monopolize the center of the international stage and to use the megaphone of the Paris peace conference for presenting his appeal for a spurious league of peace."

KLAMATH MAN GETS 15 MONTHS

Portland, Mar. 5.—Sentence of 15 months at McNeill's island was imposed by Federal Judge Wolverton yesterday in the case again Fred W. Bolds, merchant of Bonanza, Klamath county, convicted of violating the espionage act.

HAS NOT LEARNED TO BEG FOR MERCY BUT ASKS FOR JUSTICE FOR GERMANS

Amsterdam, Feb. 17.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)—"It is the right of our enemies to punish those responsible if there are men on the German side who are to blame for this war," declared Field Marshal von Buelow, retired, in an interview with the Berlin correspondent of the Handelsblat. Von Buelow commanded the Second German army in 1914, was engaged in the fighting near Maubeuge and was retired in 1915 owing to a paralytic stroke from which he has not yet quite recovered.

"As an old soldier I have not learned to ask for mercy," continued the field marshal. "I only ask for justice for the German people. We soldiers went out to fight by the kaiser's orders because the government said the country was in danger. It was not our task as soldiers to investigate. If we had been told the truth our duty was merely to obey. If the German people were misled when they were told that they were assailed by a superior number of enemies, then may a curse be on those who, by false dealings, made three-quarters of man-kind

BERLIN RIOTS SPREAD DEATH AMONG BOCHE

SPARTACANS OPENING WAY TO RUSSIA TO SECURE AID OF BOLSHEVIKI FORCES

THROW OFFICERS INTO RIVER

Hun Cabinet Decided That Germany Could Not Submit to Armistice Terms—Defiant Attitude

Berlin, Mar. 5.—Government troops at police headquarters fired on the rioters yesterday and there were several casualties. Troops were called to disperse crowds which were increasing.

The Spartacans have inaugurated a movement to seize Koenigsberg, in East Prussia, thereby opening a route of communication to Moscow so the Bolsheviki armies from Russia might move to the assistance of the Spartacan forces, according to an official government bulletin.

The government sent forces to Koenigsberg to put down a Spartacan strike.

Paris, Mar. 5.—The German cabinet has decided that Germany could not submit to coercion from the entente powers, either in the armistice negotiations or the peace discussions. It is reported here. Demands regarding the requisition of shipping held by the Germans will be absolutely unacceptable.

Amsterdam, Mar. 5.—The strike movement is progressing throughout Germany, according to latest Berlin dispatches.

Berlin, Mar. 5.—Government troops occupied Halle, between Berlin and Weimar, after a fight in which 30 civilians were killed, according to the story of an aviator who has just arrived here. The rioters threw some of the government officers into the river and let them drown. The Spartacans then fled, taking the city funds. The situation is alarming.

BOLSHEVIKI AGAIN ATTACK THE ALLIES

Archangel, Mar. 5.—The Bolsheviki again attacked the allied forces on the right bank of the Vaga, but were repulsed.

FUNERAL SERVICES HELD AT CAPITAL

Remains of James Withycombe Will Be Laid to Rest in Salem Cemetery. No Action by Olcott

Salem, Ore., Mar. 5.—Governor Withycombe's funeral will be held Thursday at 2 o'clock. The services will be simple and will be conducted by Dr. Richard Alvison, pastor of the Methodist church. Interment will be made in the cemetery here. Judge Wallace McCamant will speak briefly at the services and the honorary pallbearers will be Judge McCamant, Adjutant General Charles Beebe, Thomas H. Tongue, W. B. Ayer, Secretary Olcott, Ralph W. Hoyt. The active pallbearers will be Harvey Wells, Chester A. Morris, Carl D. Shoemaker, Henry J. Schulderman, A. H. Lea and Mark McCallister.

Salem, Ore., Mar. 5.—Secretary Olcott, as the new governor, will take no action on the bills that were left over, but will allow all to become laws.

SNOWFALL AT CRATER LAKE IS REPORTED AS NORMAL

Klamath Falls, Mar. 4.—Snow is now nearly three feet deep on the level at Kirk on Klamath Indian reservation, 40 miles north of this city, and is about 10 feet deep at the Algoma Lumber company's camp, some distance west of Kirk, according to J. M. Bedford, in charge of timber on Klamath Indian reservation.

A depth of 10 feet of snow was reported at Crater Lake national park several days ago, this amount being about normal.

306 SERBIAN PRIESTS DEPORTED BY BULGARS

Pirot, Serbia, Mar. 5.—One of the most terrible indictments against the Bulgarians during the war has been pronounced here by Mihailo Natetch, Serbian Metropolitan for Pirot district, who declared to the Associated Press that of 306 Serbian priests deported by the Bulgars, 156 were shot or hanged and 27 others died of starvation or disease. Dr. Natetch who was himself deported, personally knew most of those killed by the Bulgars. He said Bulgaria's purpose was the extermination of the whole of the Serbian priesthood because of their influence on the civil population who remained after the Serbian retreat. It is asserted that the Metropolitan's statement is supported by government records.

The Associated Press correspondent visited the scenes where many of these priests were killed and saw skulls, numerous bones and parts of priests' vestments. He also talked with many widows of the victims.

JAPS GOING IN FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

Tokio, Mar. 5.—The ministry of education has prepared a plan for the extension of higher education to cover the next six years and to cost about \$22,000,000. Part of this expense has been provided by a gift of \$5,000,000 from the emperor.

60TH ARTILLERY TROOPS AT PORTLAND

Portland, Ore., Mar. 5.—Four hundred and eighty-four men and five officers of the 69th artillery who arrived here were greeted in the rain by friends and relatives at the depot. They marched to the auditorium for breakfast and were entertained throughout the day. Several hundred of them will go to the boxing bouts tonight.

GOVERNMENT WILL HOLD ON TO RAILROADS

DIRECTOR HINES SAYS EFFORT WILL BE MADE TO RETAIN ALL THE EMPLOYEES

WILL SEEK PRIVATE LOANS

Refusal of Money and Flibustering by Congress Has Not Bluffed the New Director

Washington, Mar. 5.—The government has no immediate intention of relinquishing control of the railroads as a result of the failure of congress to appropriate funds for the railroad administration. Director General Hines said today. He explained that every effort would be made to continue the operations as usual to avoid laying off employees, and will endeavor to finance the railroads through private loans or advances from the war finance corporation.

Mr. Hines said the railroad administration did not contemplate raising rates as a means of dealing with the financial predicament.

TOOK THE CHAPLAIN TO DOWN THE GHOST

London, Mar. 5.—The British seaman apparently is as superstitious as ever and two stories of the navy have found their way into the columns of the Daily Mail.

According to one of these tales an officer of a naval vessel became mentally unbalanced in the war and committed suicide under tragic circumstances, after escaping from his cabin. Not long afterward the sentries on board began to complain that someone was dogging their footsteps as they paced up and down in the night watches. They declared that they could feel a presence, but on turning around could see no one. Eventually the sentries had to be sent on duty in pairs, as a solitary sentry sometimes would desert his post in terror. The "ghost" is probably laid, as its ship was sunk in the Dardanelles.

Another case was that of a haunted cabin. The officer assigned to it was missing and it was presumed that he was washed overboard by accident. Another officer was alerted the cabin, and one night he aroused the ship by shouts. A number of officers and men rushed in and found the new occupant sitting up in his bunk in a state of terror. He said he had felt something touch his head and that the bunk was invaded by something damp and smelling of seaweed.

The same thing happened to another tenant later on, and after that the cabin was unused for three months. Then a chaplain moved into the cabin and there were no complaints of further manifestations.

MANY PEASANTS KILLED FOR MURDER OF ONE RED

Vladivostok, Mar. 5.—The Russian peasants hate the Red Guard a hundred times more than they ever hated the agents of the former Russian emperor, according to a traveler from Moscow as quoted in the Omsk newspaper, Slovo. Perhaps the traveler says, this may account for some of the fierceness and ruthlessness of the Bolsheviki rule.

Under the emperor's regime, he says, the murderer of a village constable would have been shot and the executions would have stopped there, but the Bolsheviki will shoot scores of peasants for the murder of a Red Guard.